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DEVELOPMENT OF INTEGRATED AVIONICS DISPLAY SYSTEM
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) has signed a contract with M/s Israel Aircraft Industries for design and development of an Integrated Avionics Display system for Integrated Light Helicopters;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the policy of the Government for development of Integrated Avionics Display System indigenously?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI BIJOY KRISHNA HANDIQUE)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) has signed a contract with M/s Israel Aircraft Industries (IAI) in December 2003 for design and development of an Integrated Avionics Display System (IADS) for the Advanced Light Helicopter, which plans to replace the present conventional architecture of the control and display units in the cockpit.

(c) It is the policy of Government to promote indigenous development and Research & Development (R&D). The development/selection/integration of a system is, however, dependent on technological requirements, time-frames, costs, requirements of integration and in-country capabilities etc. These variables are taken into consideration while making the choice of in-house development, indigenous development or with foreign vendors.